North-of-the-Delta Offstream Storage Investigation

Preliminary Results of Economics Analysis

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Feasibility

Feasibility from a federal perspective includes:

- Technical
- Environmental
- Economic
- Financial (the likelihood of repayment)









Planning Objectives

- Primary Planning Objectives:
 - Water Supply and Reliability Benefits
 - Water Quality Improvement
 - Fisheries Restoration and Ecosystem Enhancement
 - Hydropower Integrated with Renewable Energy
- Secondary Planning Objectives:
 - Flood Damage Reduction
 - Recreation

Benefits and Costs annualized 50- and 100-years









Economic Evaluation Requirements

Federal

- Economic and Environmental Principles and Guidelines for Water and Land Related Resources Implementation Studies (P&G; WRC, 1983); changes pending, but uncertain
- Bureau of Reclamation's Economics Guidebook

State

- Department of Water Resources' (DWR)
 Economics Guidebook
- 2009 Water Package
 Legislation, Public Benefits









Economic and Environmental Principles & Guidelines for Water and Related Land Resources Studies (P&G)

Federal feasibility studies must address P&G's and display potential effects (benefits, costs) in specified accounts:

- National Economic Development (NED); required
- Regional Economic Development (RED); optional
- Environmental Quality (EQ); required
- Other Social Effects (OSE); optional
- Other methods and non-monetary effects may be considered

NODOS Feasibility Analyses include all four accounts







National Economic Development (NED)

- Evaluate the direct net benefits to the nation
- Consider both market (e.g., water for agricultural use) and non-market benefits (recreation)
- Include implementation costs (e.g., opportunity cost of capital for construction)
- Include uncompensated adverse costs to third parties
- Determine net NED benefits







Regional Economic Development (RED)

- Focus on output, employment, and income effects
- Examine regions of primary economic activity
- Consider the indirect effects of project-related spending
- RED and NED benefits are not additive









Environmental Quality (EQ)

- Include beneficial and adverse effects on ecological, aesthetic, and cultural resources
- Exclude EQ effects monetized and included in NED
- Assess other EQ effects in physical or qualitative terms
- Describe in terms of frequency, duration, location, etc.

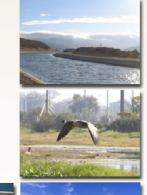






Other Social Effects (OSE)

- Urban and community (employment, income distribution, fiscal, and quality of life)
- Life, health, and safety (flood risk, potential damage from structural failure, air quality impact)
- Displacement
- Long-term productivity
- Energy requirement and conservation





Potential Ag and M&I Water Supply Benefits

	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C
StorageIntake/Release at Delevan	1.2 MAFBoth	1.8 MAFRelease Only	1.8 MAFBoth
Ag Supply (TAF)Ag Benefit (\$M)	Avg : Dry Yr 62 : 106 \$12 : \$23	Avg : Dry Yr • 35 :71 • \$7 : \$16	Avg : Dry Yr 57 : 100 \$11 : \$23
M&I Supply (TAF)M&I Benefit (\$M)	93:207\$143:\$323	97:191\$147:\$278	102:229\$152:\$366











Potential Refuge Benefits

	Alt A	Alt B	Alt C
	Avg : Dry Yr	Avg : Dry Yr	Avg : Dry Yr
Refuge Supply (TAF)	• 44:21	• 71:37	• 74:36
 Refuge Benefit (\$M) 	• \$12:\$8	• \$19:\$14	• \$19:\$14









Potential Water Quality Benefits

	Alt A	Alt B	Alt C
 EC Reductions at Clifton Court Forebay 	Avg : Dry Yr 7% : 11%	Avg : Dry Yr 7% : 11%	Avg : Dry Yr • 9% : 14%
Water Quality SupplyAG Benefit (\$M)	• \$1:\$2	• \$1:\$3	• \$2:\$3
Water Quality Supply– M&I Benefit (\$M)	• \$17:\$20	• \$18:\$22	• \$22:\$26

Agriculture Irrigation water savings M&I Reduced Water Treatment







Ecosystem Enhancement Benefits

Estimated Average Year Annual Ecosystem Enhancement Water Benefits Based on Coldwater Pool and Increased Flows

Alternative	Increase End of May Storage	Increased Flow	Total Benefits
А	\$25 M	\$17 M	\$42M
В	\$29 M	\$16 M	\$45M
С	\$29 M	\$16 M	\$45M









Power

Alterna -tive	Pumping (\$M)	Releases (\$M)	Pump- back (\$M)	Total (\$M)
Α	-\$14.1	\$12.5	\$3.1	\$1.5
В	-\$11.0	\$8.6	\$3.1	\$0.7
С	-\$15.9	\$14.4	\$3.0	\$1.5

Contribution from integration with renewable energy not estimated yet, but expected to increase benefits







Flood Damage Reduction

Reduced flooding risk for 4,600 acres in Stone Corral and Funks Creek watersheds and 4,025 acres in the Colusa Basin (100-year flood)

- Estimated average flood damage: \$1,000/acre
- Estimated annual flood damage reduction **for all alternatives**: \$86,250









Recreation Benefits

- 25% projected as net "new" recreation benefit
 75% relocated from other regional recreational facilities
- Projected 100,000 annual net new recreation user days.
- Adjustment for low surface water elevations

Alternative	Average Year	Dry/Critical Year
А	\$4 M	\$3 M
В	\$4 M	\$3 M
С	\$4 M	\$4 M







Preliminary Benefits Summary

Purpose	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C
Water Supply	(\$M)	(\$M)	(\$M)
Agricultural	\$12	\$7	\$11
Urban	\$143	\$147	\$152
Refuges	\$12	\$19	\$19
Conveyance Pumping	-\$21	-\$21	-\$23
Total	\$146	\$152	\$159
Water Quality			
Agricultural	\$1	\$1	\$2
Urban	\$17	\$18	\$22
Total	\$18	\$19	\$24
Ecosystem Enhancement	\$42	\$45	\$45
Hydropower (system)	\$1.4	\$0.7	\$1.5
Recreation	\$4	\$4	\$4
Flood Damage Reduction	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1
Total	\$212	\$220	\$234



Preliminary Benefit Cost Ratio

	Alt A (\$M)	Alt B (\$M)	Alt C (\$M)
Total Project Costs	\$3,579	\$3,384	\$3,887
Interest During Construction	\$1,028	\$972	\$1,117
Annual Costs:			
Interest/Amortization	\$186	\$176	\$202
Operations & Maintenance	\$18	\$14	\$20
Total Annual Costs	\$204	\$190	\$222
Total Benefits	\$212	\$220	\$234
Net Benefits	\$8	\$30	\$12
Benefit Cost Ratio	1.0	1.2	1.1



Preliminary Financial Analysis

- Tied to results of pending preliminary cost allocation
- Beneficiaries Pay (CALFED, Delta Plan, State & Federal Legislation)
- Must Assess Ability to Pay for Costs
- Primary Repayment Options for Agricultural and M&I Water Supply and Power (Federal costs)
- Results Presented in Draft and Final Feasibility Report
- Consider 2009 Water Package Requirements (State)



Next Steps – Define and Address Public Benefits Per State Requirements

